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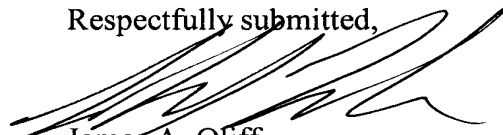
**LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the February 20, 2008 Office Action, Applicants filed an Amendment on August 20, 2008, along with a Petition for Extension of Time that extended the period for response by three months. All required government fees were paid by Check No. 209112. However, the August 20 Amendment has not yet been entered or scanned into the Image File Wrapper. Accordingly, Applicants herewith resubmit the Amendment filed on August 20, 2008. In addition, the PTO date-stamped acknowledgement receipt indicating that the attached Amendment, a Petition for Extension of Time and Check No. 209112 were filed and received by the Patent Office on August 20, 2008 is also being submitted.

Respectfully submitted,



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